## Resource management teams

A learning supports resource team is meant to focus on resources related to all major learning support programs and services. Thus, it tries to bring together representatives of all these programs and services. School-based professionals might include, for example, administrators, school counselors, psychologists, nurses, social workers, at risk coordinators, health educators, special education staff, after school program staff, bilingual, Title I and Safe and Drug-Free Schools program coordinators. It also should include representatives of any community agency with significant interest in the welfare of the students of that school.

It is important to emphasize that a *learning supports resource team* differs from a *case-oriented team* (e.g. building assistance teams, teacher assistance teams, student assistance teams, problem solving teams). Case-oriented teams focus on individual students who are having problems. In contrast, learning supports resource teams on the overall cohesion and development of a system of learning supports. Their focus is not on specific individuals, but on how resources are prioritized and used to meet student needs and eliminate barriers to learning for all students.